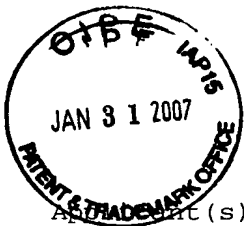


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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 has been previously established.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.

X No additional fee is required.

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